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"Right is More Precious than Peace"

THE REPUBLICAN TICKET.

Next month the annual city election will take place and this is the year when the choice of a mayor is to be included in the contest. In view of the fact that Mayor Brown will not be a candidate for reelection it will mean that regardless of which party is successful Norwich will have a new mayor. There has been much speculation for the benefit of the city by the present administration. A policy in behalf of improved streets and better sidewalks has resulted in permanent betterments which are bound to be of lasting value to Norwich. These with the other good things which have been accomplished are not going to be overlooked by the community in selecting those who will direct the business of the city during the next year, or in choosing the head of the city government for the next two years.

The coming election is an important one, as in fact all elections are. The aim should be to place in office those whom it is believed will make the best city fathers.

For the approval of the voters the republicans in a caucus which was marked by unanimous action and complete harmony have selected a ticket which will doubtless get the careful consideration of the voters. At its head has been placed a man who is well known for his long residence here and his good record and whom with him have been named men who will unquestionably have the confidence of their fellow citizens. They are conscientious citizens whose purpose will be, if elected, to give the city the high type of business administration which is needed and which ought to be demanded, and which have already demonstrated their determination in this direction during their term in office. Their future service along with that of their fellow members on the ticket rests with the republicans and the non-partisan voters of the city.

THE SHEEP INDUSTRY.

For the purpose of getting at the real conditions which surround the sheep raising industry in this country and to stimulate interest in the business a committee of the United States Chamber of Commerce has been conducting an investigation and the conclusion it has arrived at is that the sheep industry in the United States must either adjust itself to the changed economic conditions of this day or continue to decline which has been its portion in years past.

All sections of the country have felt the effects of the decline. The east has experienced tremendous losses because there were greater advantages in the west, and now the decline has struck on in the west because of the growth of the farming and the reduction of the grazing range. Without considering the possibilities which still exist in all sections this decline has been allowed to continue so that in the last 15 years the number of sheep in the country decreased from 30 per capita to 46 per capita. According to the needs of the country for mutton and wool the movement should have been in the other direction.

To stop this decline in the production of sheep the committee recommends the use of sheep grazing agriculturally worthless and cheap cut-over timberlands of the north, northwest and south, the more general and systematic raising of sheep on farms, where sheep raising has been hitherto neglected because of frontier competition, and the continued use of the great ranges of the west to their full capacity.

The committee is unquestionably justified in the belief that it can be done if the proper amount of thought and study is given to it. The east still has great opportunities in this direction. Not a few are realizing it, for the tendency even in New England is to the raising of more sheep and the securing of legislation which will eliminate the dog menace. There is no telling how much New England has suffered because of the dog. It is considerable. In 1913 it is claimed that the states of the Mississippi lost 100,000 sheep which were killed by dogs. If the needed increase in interest in sheep husbandry is maintained on the farms of the east this problem ought to be quickly adjusted.

A VALUABLE HELP.

While improved results are to be anticipated in other directions in the way of shipbuilding it is impossible to overlook what is being accomplished in the construction of wooden vessels. Opinions have differed greatly as to the advisability of putting forth great efforts in behalf of wooden ships but when it is announced that five such cargo carriers are to be launched this week from one section of the country where this sort of construction is being carried on and where it is assumed that there will be three more put into the water within the next ten days and possibly a doubling of this week's number before the end of the month it cannot fail to be appreciated that something is being gained by the activity in the wooden ship yards.

It is entirely probable, as has been contended so often, that the wooden ships will not give the service that steel ships will, that they will not be available for service in the war zone because they will not have the speed that is required to keep out of the way of the submarines, but it is at the same time apparent that we are in need of each and every kind of a vessel that we can get. The transportation needs are such that these vessels can be put into immediate service and great assistance can be rendered outside of the submarine zone, thus leaving the steel ships and the speedier ones for the more important service.

The demand has been for ships, ships and more ships and it is probable that the attention which is being given to the construction of wooden ships is contributing materially to the need, for while the output referred to concerns only one locality where this work is being done others are making good progress and will steadily contribute to improving conditions. By the building and utilization of wooden vessels we are getting the benefit of resources which would otherwise be neglected.

UP TO OLD TRICKS.

Regardless of all the protests which have been made to Berlin, by the Spanish government the torpedoing of Spanish ships by German submarines continues. The latest victim is the steamship Lusa, the captain of which has reported that his vessel was sunk in broad daylight when the Spanish flag was flying so that the commander of the underwater boat could not help seeing it.

It is a well known fact of course that Germany does not intend to curb the ruthlessness of the submarine warfare one iota more than it is forced to. Spain has called Germany's attention to the fact that it is a neutral nation and that its rights on the high seas should be respected and that its property and the lives of its subjects are getting no more consideration than they would if they were belligerents.

Spain is in the same position that this nation was while maintaining neutrality. Its predicament is no different than that of Norway, nearly 1000 ships of which country have been sent to the bottom and several hundred of its people have been killed or drowned as the result. It is in fact suffering the same as did Argentina when her rights as a neutral nation were taken advantage of to the detriment of those countries. It is much the same sort of a situation as prevails in Holland and Denmark and in Russia.

Germany is determined to respect no nation which is not its ally. If it can not force nations to do its bidding through regular diplomatic channels and by propaganda it is going to do it by force and just as long as they tolerate such treatment it is simply encouraging a continuance.

Germany has endeavored with more or less success to force Spain to take an unfriendly attitude to the allies. It has succeeded in checking trade between Spain and the country and in holding up of goods destined for General Pershing's army from Spain. How long it can continue to violate the neutral rights of Spain without causing more than a protest to be sent to Berlin remains to be seen, but it certainly is causing more and longer as Spain is going to maintain its self respect.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Strange how a slight change in the temperature causes so much talk about summer togs.

According to their latest gas offering the Germans are giving the British something to sneeze at.

Find a home gardener and he ought to be able to direct you to a model garden even at this season of the year.

When a Sinn Feiner declares that the Irish in America should wake up it would appear that it was time to heed his own alarm clock.

YET IMOGENE WAS RIGHT

"Why the gloom?" inquired the Woodlawn man with considerable interest.

The gentleman from Hyde Park sighed. "My brow is furrowed," he explained, "because my home life is not happy. I am a miserable man. There is no living in the house with Imogene these days without the constant exercise of Christian forbearance. I degree which is beyond me. She—she strolled out into the back yard one of these recent warm days and—discovered some last year's pumpkins beginning to grow!"

"The catastrophe," said the Woodlawn man, "falls to move me!"

"You always were callous," his friend told him. "Since she discovered that pumpkins have had no peace. First I had to go out in the back yard to look at the pumpkins and then to ruin a shine, because the ground was still soggy. I had no interest whatever in the pumpkins, because it is a vegetable I do not eat. Moreover, pumpkins are not enjoyable when they start up in the spring after a winter in the ground."

"But all this had no effect on my wife," continued the gentleman from Hyde Park. "She regarded the silly come and go of the pumpkins as a joke and she really felt that spring had come—and we must get busy. I have always noticed that when a wife uses the word 'pumpkin' it means 'him.' In the case it meant that I was to make an assault on the garden tools. Then when I had wrenched them forth from their sheaths and looked like a cross between a coal heaver and a Bolshevik I was to go out and standing ankle deep in the mire, upheave monstrous piles of rotting pumpkins."

"I invariably catch a cold in my head and grime up my hands, so that for weeks my clients regard me as a man unalterably opposed to soap and water. So to wash my hands I tried to convince Imogene, not exactly that she really was not seeing a pumpkin growing, but that it was too early for gardening. I always try that, being something will happen—maybe my brother, who has a western ranch and never visits me in the spring, will come and be delighted to spade up the garden or that the doctor will tell me my back won't stand it or that we shall be left a million dollars and go away for the summer."

GLEANED FROM FOREIGN EXCHANGES

The worst tragedy, apart from the ordeal of our fighting men, is the plight of people who lived in places now caught in the flame of war. Out of the flames and the smoke, out of the ruins of homes and the wreckage of all that we have known in happier days they are coming here in farm carts and gigs and donkey carts, on bicycles and on foot, and wheelbarrows and perambulators, on British gun wagons and in British lorries. They are enormously brave, these old, old women and these young girls of children.

Young Heroes of France sit aloft on the big hay-carts piled high with furniture, while their farmhouses tumble on down long roads, and old women nod or sleep like babes on colored mattresses, and girls call out "Good luck!" to our soldiers. They drive their cattle before them, and yesterday I saw great herds of cows moving across the country round Ballinacorney. Small boys, with mothers tramp sturdily on with one hand clasping their mother's skirt and gripping a bundle of clothes, young heroes of France with the courage of their race.

To the last moment some of these people stay in their villages, under the standing about among the straggled men with no covering to their braided hair, until at last they know they must go or die. So now they are moving across the country, and they are as far as possible by the French and British authorities.

These men of ours have exceeded all their previous records of valor. They are God's chosen, they have three years and more with acts of courage.—London Chronicle.

If the badger shot at Heston on suspicion of having preyed on a fowl run was guilty he was of an exceptionally enterprising character, for as a rule this animal is too slow and too lazy to carry out such a feat. He preferred to find his food nearer his home than the domestic fowl is likely to be. He occasionally feeds on chicken, it is true, but his general habit when he has a fox as part tenant of his burrow, for then the inevitable contract seems to be as close observers tell us, that in lieu of rent the active tenant shares the proceeds of his poultry and other raids with his sluggish landlord.

Once upon a time Mr. Carnegie wished to cross a mountain in Pennsylvania, but lacked a guide. A hefty looking lad, a grocer's errand boy, offered to pilot him for a dollar. The ironmaster tendered half the sum. The boy held out for the full price and Mr. Carnegie yielded. "Not that the job was worth it, but because I had to get to the other side of the mountain," said the boy. "Now the alphas have to get to the other side of a shipbuilding mountain, and the same Charles Schwab is to do the guiding, but this time without a quibble as to price."

The secret of pro-German organization in Italy has achieved a masterpiece of cunning in its labors to undermine the morale of the nation. So-called "occult circles" have been formed by enemy agents in the largest Italian towns, which influential people of the district are induced to join.

The German agents who organize these reunions receive secret information of coming enemy moves and daily spell the news out by table-rapping in the guise of a spirit's message. When events a few days later confirm the apparent prophecy, confidence in the supposed occult agencies is naturally increased and the German instruments used to this spread by the same means alarming reports about the weakness and defects of the allies, the alleged faithfulness of "Good-Bye" and "Finnish-a-la." It seems to be.

The recent bombardment of Naples by a Zeppelin was forested in this way at a sham session, where the bombing of a large Italian "maritime town" was prophesied by "inspired" agencies some days before it occurred.

To the presence of native Chinese labor companies working on the roads in France we owe additions to our war slang which are percolating "Blighty," "Don" and "napoo," which have by now been worked to death and being replaced by Anglo-French-Chinese substitutes, to wit, "Good-bye" and "Finnish-a-la." It seems to be.

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